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Title: "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR REDUCING EFFECTIVE TRACK WIDTH THROUGH  
HIGHLY SKEWED HEAD ANGLES"

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents**  
**Box Patent Application**  
**Washington, DC 20231**

This application claims priority from U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/232,810 filed September 15, 2000. The entire disclosure of the provisional application is considered to be part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference. Enclosed for filing with the above-identified utility patent application, please find the following:

- 1. ☒ Specification (Total Pages of Text, including Abstract and Claims: 33)
- 2. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) (Total Sheets: 9) ☐ FORMAL ☒ INFORMAL
- 3. ☒ Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i).
- 4. ☒ Power of Attorney
- 5. ☒ Return Postcard (MPEP 503) (should be specifically itemized)

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					RATE	FEE		RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE:						\$355.00	OR		\$710.00
TOTAL CLAIMS:	59	-	20	39	X \$9 =		OR	X \$18 =	\$702.00
INDEP. CLAIMS:	8	-	3	5	X \$40 =		OR	X \$80 =	\$400.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS					+ \$135 =		OR	+\$270 =	\$0.00
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**OTHER INFORMATION:**

- 1. ☒ **NO FILING FEE IS ENCLOSED AT THIS TIME.**
- 2. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge all required fees for any extensions of time under \$1.17 to Deposit Account No. 19-1970.
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**SIGNATURE:**

Dear Sir:

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C.122(b).

*Applicant understands that this request must be signed in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.33(b) and submitted with the application **upon filing**. Applicant also understands that they may rescind this nonpublication request at any time. If Applicant rescinds a request that an application not be published under U.S.C. 122(b), the application will be scheduled for publication at eighteen months from the earliest claimed filing date for which a benefit is claimed. If Applicant subsequently files an application directed to the invention disclosed in the attached application in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications eighteen months after filing, the Applicant understands that they must notify the U.S. Patent Office of such filing within forty-five (45) days after the date of the filing of such foreign or international application. **Failure to do so will result in abandonment of this application (35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(iii)).***

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